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TO AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

AMCONSUL JOHANNESBURG

AMCONSUL CAPE TOWN

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AMEMBASSY BLANTYRE

AMEMBASSY LUSAKA

INFO AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY KINSHASA

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SUBJECT: VISIT OF CONGRESSMAN DAVID R. BOWEN (D., MISS.)

CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

1) CONGRESSMAN BOWEN ADVISED DEPT. DEC. 30 HE PLANS VISIT SOUTH AFRICA AS GUEST OF SOUTH AFRICA FOUNDATION. HE ALSO PLANS STOPS IN ZAIRE, MALAWI AND ZAMBIA. (ZAIRE PORTION COVERED SEPTELS).

2) BOWEN'S ITINERARY IS AS FOLLOWS:

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LEAVE WASHINGTON DEC. 30 BRITISH AIRWAYS FLIGHT 520F 9:00

PM -ARRIVE LONDON 9:00 AM DEC. 31 (WESTBURY HOTEL)

LEAVE LONDON JAN. 1 BRITISH CALEDONIAN AIRLINES FLIGHT
359F 10:15 PM - ARRIVE KINSHASA 9:00 AM JAN. 2

LEAVE KINSHASA JAN. 5 SWISSAIR FLIGHT 284F 8:05 AM - ARRIVE
JOHANNESBURG 12:45 PM

LEAVE JOHANNESBURG JAN. 16 SOUTH AFRICAN FLIGHT 022Y 8:10
AM - ARRIVE SALISBURY 9:35 AM

LEAVE SALISBURY JAN. 17 AIR MALAWI FLIGHT 268Y 9:00 AM -
ARRIVE BLANTYRE 10:25 AM

LEAVE BLANTYRE JAN. 17 AIR MALAWI FLIGHT 611Y 1:40 PM -
ARRIVE LUSAKA 3:50 PM

LEAVE LUSAKA JAN. 17 BRITISH AIRWAYS FLIGHT 040F 7:45 PM -
ARRIVE LONDON JAN. 18 5:45 AM

LEAVE LONDON JAN. 18 PAN AMERICAN FLIGHT 107Y 10:50 AM -
ARRIVE WASHINGTON 2:10 PM

3) BOWEN STATES HIS MAIN INTEREST IN TRIP IS FINDING
EVIDENCE WHICH SUPPORTS USG POSITION ON ANGOLA. REQUEST
POSTS PROVIDE ASSISTANCE AS FOLLOWS:

(A) FOR PRETORIA: BOWEN WILL CHECK IN WITH EITHER PRETORIA
OR JOHANNESBURG AND LEAVE ITINERARY FOR SOUTH AFRICAN
TRAVELS.

(B) FOR BLANTYRE: BOWEN HAS ASKED THAT EMBASSY CAR MEET
HIM AND GIVE HIM QUICK TOUR OF CITY. WHILE HE RECOGNIZES
IT UNLIKELY APPOINTMENT WITH PRESIDENT BANDA COULD BE
FITTED INTO BRIEF VISIT, HE WOULD VALUE MORNING APPOINTMENT
SHOULD BANDA BE IN BLANTYRE ON JAN. 17 AND SHOULD HIS
SCHEDULE PERMIT COURTESY CALL.

(C) FOR LUSAKA: BOWEN SAYS HE IS AN ACTIVE METHODIST
LAYMAN WHO WAS ONCE NEARLY SENT BY CHURCH TO MISSION AT
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KITWE. PROJECT WAS CANCELLED AT LAST MINUTE SO HE DID NOT
GET TO ZAMBIA BUT HE REMAINS LONG-TIME ADMIRER OF
PRESIDENT KAUNDA. WHILE HE KNOWS APPOINTMENT WITH KAUNDA
PROBABLY IMPOSSIBLE, SHOULD IT BE POSSIBLE TO SET ONE UP
FOR AFTERNOON OF JAN. 17 THIS WOULD BE MUCH APPRECIATED.
HE INITIALLY HOPED TO MEET WITH LOWER-LEVEL GRZ OFFICIALS
FOR BRIEFING ON EXTENT OF GRZ PARTICIPATION IN ANGOLAN
CONFLICT, BUT FINALLY EXPRESSED MORE INTEREST IN EMBASSY

BRIEFING. REQUEST EMBASSY CAR MEET HIM AND GIVE HIM
QUICK TOUR OF LUSAKA IN ADDITION TO BRIEFING. ROBINSON

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